

**CVIP BOARD MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, January 13, 2010**

The meeting was called to order by President, David Horner. Refreshments were provided by Jo Pamment, Anna Kortemeyer and Dottie Schmidt.

**Attendance:** David Horner, Dottie Schmidt, Stacey Bieler, Lillian Kumata, Peggy Arbanas, Carol Towl, Ann McCall, Carol Bryson, Takako Tabata, Jo Pamment, Bonnie Bankson, Anna Kortemeyer, William Eubank, Charles Gliozzo, Erika Nwankwo Larson, Midge Morrow, Isaac Kalumbu, Christine Van Nada and Fred Fritz.

**Announcements:** We greeted two new people today. Isaac Kalumbu will be helping out in the CVIP office and expects to be there from 9am-3pm M-F. He has been teaching ethno-musicology for the past 12 years at MSU and before that he received his degree from Indiana University. Midge Morrow moved to East Lansing four years ago. She spends her time as a Master Gardener in the MSU gardens and helping with the Friendship Family Program.

Today's special presentation, usually held after the business portion of our meeting, will be postponed until next month because our speaker, Ravi Ammigan from OISS, is still busy analyzing the data from the survey he will report on.

There will be a TESOL conference in Boston March 22-29. Anyone wishing more information should see William Eubank who is organizing a group who will travel by train to Boston.

Jo Pamment's mother passed away recently. A condolence card was circulated and given to Jo.

Many of us got to know Andrey Tikhonov, a Russian Humphrey Fellow who spent last year in East Lansing. He is a music composer and violinist and he sent his new composition as a New Year gift to Carol Towl, among others. Please see Carol if you are interested in hearing it.

**Secretary's Report:** Dottie Schmidt

Jo Pamment moved and Fred Fritz seconded that the December minutes be approved as emailed. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report, December 2009:** Ann McCall

Savings Account (Shares)

12-01 Balance 1373.16

12-31 Dividend .29

12-31 Ending Balance 1373.45

Percentage yield is .25% from December 1 through December 31, 2009

Checking Account

12-01 Balance 911.85

No checks were written

12-31 Ending Balance 911.85

**Administrative Services Report:**

Membership: Pat Barrett

Office: Pat Barrett and William Eubank

Public Relations: Stacey Bieler and Pat Barrett

Please look at the CVIP web site at [www.isp.msu.edu/cvip](http://www.isp.msu.edu/cvip) Does your page need tweaking?

**Leadership:** Fred Fritz

Job descriptions are due today! Copies of these will be in the office files. All materials should contain a name and a date. Perhaps some should be put on the CVIP web site. Speakers Bureau used a software program called Visio for the flow chart they used. Leadership opportunities available are: newsletter editor, Friendship Family coordinator, marketing committee member, Global Festival Gift Shop coordinator, Speakers Bureau co-chair and more....

**Visioning Committee:** Arlene Brophy No report

**Report from ISP Dean's Office:** No report

**OISS Report:** Nicole Namy/Peter Briggs

We are happy to report that despite the increase in international student enrollment, there are fewer international students on academic probation than last year, 68 to 85 respectively. A new advisor has been hired and will start January 19, 2010. Hersh Sisodia will be working primarily with F1 students and SEVIS regulations. OISS is renting Munn Ice Arena for an afternoon of ice skating for families and students. This will be on Sunday, January 24 from 12:30-4pm. A trip to a Pistons game on Friday, January 29, 2010 is also being planned. A reporter called this morning seeking comments about the earthquake in Haiti from any Haitian students. MSU currently has no Haitian students enrolled.

**Haslett A+ ESL Report:** Jo Pamment

I am working on the State Adult Education Transformation Task Force which should be voted on in March. Big changes ahead!!

**VETP Report:** Dottie Schmidt No report.

**VIPP Report:** William Eubank

Things are busy at VIPP. Ten students from Korea will be arriving on January 15 and staying for a month. VIPP staff have recently been to Latin America, Russia, Thailand, Vietnam and China. We hope to soon see visitors in our program from those areas. And perhaps the Turkish Energy group will be coming again this summer.

**Church Women United:** Marion Chapman No report

**Executive Committee:** David Horner

There was no Executive Committee meeting held in January.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**PROGRAM REPORTS**

**Global Festival:** Lillian Kumata and Peggy Arbanas No report

**Lending Center:** Erika Nwankwo Larson No report

**Scholarship:** Lillian Kumata

The Scholarship Committee interviewed 14 students in December and selected 5 recipients. The following students were selected:

Sukumaran, Pradeepa	India	Labor and Industrial Relations	MS
Yang, Yuping	China	Education	MA
Mayienga, Damaris	Kenya	Educational Administration	PhD
Hsieh, Ci-Ming	Taiwan	Community, Agriculture, Recreation and Resource Studies (CARRS)	PhD
Dong, Yiwen	China	MBA	

All the recipients were very well qualified and it was difficult to award only 5. One of the 5 needed only 1 more credit to graduate this term. The others were all given three credit hours. As the needs go up and tuition keeps increasing, the Scholarship Committee must find ways to increase the income of funds.

**Every Tuesday:** Christine Van Nada No report

**Speakers Bureau:** Carol Bryson and Carol Towl co-chairs, Mitsuko Marx member

The Speakers Bureau has had little activity since the last Board meeting because of MSU's winter break. These engagements and requests will be reactivated as students return to campus:

1. January 20, International Interest Group of MSU Community Club, Rahul Rane and wife, Traditional arranged marriage in India
2. Allen Senior Center
3. Eaton County Day Treatment Program (Latin America, Europe), Tamiko Rothhorn
4. February, Meridian Senior Center, Mamy Rakatondrovelo (Madagascar)
5. Portland Middle School, (Monica Mansfield)
6. Feb. 19, World Culture Day at Three Fires Middle School, Howell

Requests for speakers were received from Jayne Nieman, a high school French teacher in Grand Rapids, and from Jennie Frazier, a Spanish teacher in East Grand Rapids. Both are outside our service area. Both were declined with regrets because of distance and time needed. We need to change our website to define the area we are willing to serve, possibly a 25 mile radius or 30 minutes travel time from MSU.

Ashley (Yi-tsen) Wu from Taiwan graduated in December and sent the committee a copy of "Speakers Bureau Marketing Plan," her independent study project based on her work with the Speakers Bureau this semester. She included several helpful analyses, interviews with experienced speakers, and a list of leadership contacts in MSU's Nationality Clubs. She also set up a Facebook account group for Speakers Bureau to serve as a communication tool. From any Facebook account, it can be accessed as "Speakers Bureau at MSU."

Another “Speak Out!” event is scheduled for January 21. Norseha Unin from Malaysia and Natalya Deryabkina from the Kyrgyz Republic are demonstrating presentations.

**Home Visits:** Lisa Homeniuk No report

**Friendship Family:** Iris Horner

Our next orientation is scheduled for Feb. 21st, 2010 and we currently have 15 students waiting for a family.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

- OISS Coffee Hour – Every Friday 4-6pm
- CVIP Executive Committee meeting – Wednesday, February 3, 2010 9:30am  
University Lutheran Church
- CVIP Board Meeting – February 10, 2010 Refreshments by Every Tuesday and  
Lending Center 9-9:30am; Business meeting 9:30am...University Lutheran  
Church
- Friendship Family Orientation – Sunday, February 21, 2010